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Trustees Announce Decisions On Fraternity System; 97 To Graduate At 145th Commencement Tomorrow

Nason to Give Main Address; President Awards 6 Degrees

Commencement this year will be highlighted by an address by John W. Nason, president of the American Foreign Policy Association, and the awarding of 97 diplomas to the graduating class of 1955. The 145th Commencement will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. in the Sage Building. Preceding this will be a long series of events, including alumni lectures, the Clark Prize Oratorical Contest, annual meetings of the fraternities, and the Baccalaureate.

President McEwen to Speak

President Robert W. McEwen will deliver this year's Baccalaureate. McEwen said that his topic will concern provincialism and western man. The service will be held Sunday morning at 11:00 a. m. in the Chapel.

At the Commencemnet exercises Nason, who will receive an honorary LLD. from Hamilton, will discuss "Foreign Policy—the Test of a Democracy." This speech will take issue with the thesis presented by Walter Lippman's new book, *Essays in The Public Philosophy*. This book suggests that democracy cannot handle foreign policy intelligently because the nature of this policy is such as to require determination by the few rather than the many.

Award Leslie Groves

Other honorary degree recipients include Lt. General Leslie R. Groves, who was project chief of the Manhattan project during the war, and is now Vice President of Remington Rand. Groves will receive an LLD.

Senator Margaret Chase Smith, the first woman senator ever elected in this country, will receive a Doctorate of Humane Letters. Two Hamilton alumni, Theodore H. Ingalls and Dr. Arthur J. Mix will also recive degrees. Ingalls discovered the connection between prenatal anoxia and Mongolism. Mix is now bitanist at the University of Kansas, and has done specialized work on germs of the genus *taphrina* which cause blights on trees and plants.

Frank E. Gannett, noted newspaper publisher, will receive an LLD. degree. Gannett is the head of the Gannett chain of 23 leading New York newspapers. Gannett will not attend Commencement because of a broken leg received last month.

A Doctorate of Divinity will go to Rev. Ralph T. Hass, '37. Hass is a graduate of Union Theological Seminary and is now pastor of a Presbyterian church in Plainfield, N. J., and president of the Ministers' Association in Plainfield.

Alumni Attempt Student Spirit As 27 Enroll

A new innovation in the Commencement program will be tried this year. Four classes for alumni will be held in Truax 1 a various times during the weekend.

These classes, arranged by the Alumni council, and conducted by Hamilton professors feature discussions of several interesting and important problems. So far 27 alumni have sent in reservations for the classes, and more are expected before the weekend is over. The Alumni council has invited alumni wives to attend the 'co-educational' classes.

The first lecture was held last night at 8:00 when Professor Wertimer spoke on "Instability and Growth and the American Economy".

This morning Professor Robert Rudd delivered his lecture "On Reading Poetry".

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Rosen and Schade Are Valedictorian, Salutatorian of '55

Phi Beta Kappa Chooses Three

Samuel Rosen and Stanley Schade are respectively Valedictorian and Salutatorian of the senior class, Dean Winton Tolles announced yesterday.

Professor John van Alstyne also announced the election of three seniors to Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity. Roger D'Aprix, Donald Goss and Frank Seidner will join Rosen, Schade, Cal Torrance, Jim Magee, Sanford Klein and Ira Roshelle who were elected earlier this year.

Sam Rosen

Several prizes have also been awarded. Recipients among the senior class include James Magee, the Babcock Prize in Philosophy and Religion, Frank Seidner, The Duncan Saunders Prize in English Writing; and Ira Roshelle, the Squires Prize in Philosophy.

Four sophomores were also recognized. Robert Kraunz and David Quarton won the Oren Root Prize Scholarships. The Hawley Prize in Greek went to Richard Hall while George Robinson received the Hawley Prize in Latin.

Leading his class scholastically, Rosen has been especially active in the Biology and French clubs. On Class and Charter Day he was given the Root Fellowship in Science. He plans to enter Columbia Medical School in the fall. Schade has served on *The Spectator* as Chairman of the Editorial Board and has been a member of the Student Council for two years. He organized this year the Chapel Board Seminars. He has been accepted at Yale Medical School and recently won a Fulbright Scholarship for study in Germany.

Among the new members of Phi Beta Kappa, Goss is a pre-medical student and will attend Harvard Medical School. D'Aprix will go to Albany State Teachers College. Seidner has received awards in both English and Political Science and will do advanced study in international relations at Princeton.

Several awards were not made at this time due to the involved figuring necessary for their selection. These awards will be made later in the summer. They include the Fayerweather and Brockway Scholarships.

Classes for the year '55-'56 begin September 15. Freshman induction takes place the 10th through the 14th. Registration will be September 12-14.

Five Seniors In Competition Today For Clark Prize

Oratory Contest Began In 1855

Today at 2:30 the ninety-sixth annual Clark Prize Oratorical contest will begin in the Chapel.

Five seniors, selected on their ability as speakers and over-all scholastic achievement, will compete for a $50 prize established by Aaron Clark, who was once mayor of New York City and supplemented by Henry A. Clark, class of 1838.

This year's five speakers are Robin Holloway, Ron Krauss, Jim Magee, Sam Rosen, and Cal Torrance. All of these men have previously participated in extra-curricular speaking, and several, have been McKinney prize speakers.

Professor Willard B. Marsh, chairman of the Public Speaking Department, commented that their topics covered diverse and interesting fields. Holloway will speak on *Freedom Is Not Enough*; Krauss on *Prince of the Royal Family of the Theatre*.

Magee's topic is *Hamilton's Fraternity System*. Rosen will deal with his alma mater—*Public Opinion and Hamilton College*. Torrance will deal with international problems in his speech *Let the Free World Beware*.

The first Clark Prize contest was held in 1854 at the Stone Presbyterian Church in Clinton. Since then contests have been held every year except for—1884, 1918, 1944, 1945, and 1946. In 1920 the contest was moved from the Stone Church to the Hamilton campus. By this time, too, the old practice of having all orations on topics selected by the Faculty Committee on Reading was abandoned. Students now select their own topics and prepare their orations with the help of faculty advisors.

Commemorating the ninety-sixth anniversary of the Clark

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Gifts $350,000; Alumni Fund Adds Record $62,000

A record $62,000 contributed to the Alumni Fund highlights the total contributions of close to $350,000 made to the College this year.

The Alumni Fund, which had as its initial goal $60,000, is for the general operating costs of Hamilton. Any money beyond the $60,000 mark will be put into a permanent endowment for increasing faculty salaries. The previous record for this drive was $60,400 set in 1948. Two classes, 1895 and 1901, now have 100% contribution.

The total of $350,000 represents numerous gifts and bequests from both business and private individuals. It also includes $4550 given to the Development Fund and close to $7000 given by the Friends of Hamilton. Not all the contributions will be applied to current expenses. Much was set aside when given to establish funds whose income is to be used by the College. Largest of such gifts is the $179,000 given by Mrs. Maynard to create the Reuben Leslie Maynard Scholarship Fund.

By May 1, the Alumni Fund showed several advances. There have been 270 new donors while 428 alumni have increased their gifts. The average contribution rose from $34.02 to $38.11.

Scene at last year's Commencement ceremonies in the Sage Rink. Edward R. Murrow was the featured speaker.

Three Surveys Begun in 1952 Led To Expansion and Trustees' Decision

By Bob Connor

On October 3, 1952, *The Spectator* announced the first of many steps which culminated in yesterday's decision of the Board of Trustees on Hamilton's social structure. The article began, "Hamilton is embarking on a thorough academic survey to determine the optimum enrollment of the college."

In the next few weeks three separate surveys began to examine Hamilton and draw conclusions about the size at which the college would operate most efficiently.

The first survey, conducted by a professional team of business experts, investigated the most efficient size of the college in relation to the number of class rooms available, the business procedures used, and the number of people in the administration. This survey was partially financed by the Fund for the Advancement of Education, a subsidiary of the Ford Foundation.

A second survey was taken by the Faculty Committee on Studies, with Kalix T. Synakowski, '46, compiling and analyzing statistics and facts gleaned by the survey. The Carnegie Corpporation of New York helped finance this study, which dealt with the ideal size of Hamilton in reation to its educational life.

A third survey taken by another faculty committee determined the optimum size of the college in relation to student life and activities.

These three reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees in June 1953. The Board, acting on their joint recommendation made its decision. On September 25, 1953 *The Spectator* made the first official announcement of the decision to the college community. "Seven hundred and fifty will be the future enrollment of Hamilton College . . ."

On the same day *The Spectator* called attention to the problems that remained to be solved. "Hamilton must face the future realistically," an editorial stated. "The fraternity system must be studied — perhaps the

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Commencement Events

Numerous events are scheduled for this weekend prior to the 145th Commencement.

The schedule for Commencement Weekend is:

Saturday, June 4

9:30 a. m. Alumni Lecture. Professor Robert Rudd. Subject: "On Reading Poetry." Truax 1.

10:30 a. m. Annual meeting of the Society of Alumni in the Chapel.

12:00 noon Alumni Luncheon in the Gymnasium, for all Alumni, Faculty, Administrative Staff, the members of the graduating class and their fathers.

12:30 p. m. Luncheon for all other guests in the Hall of Commons.

2:30 p. m. Clark Prize Contest in the Chapel.

2:30 p. m. Alumni Lecture. Professor Channing Richardson. Subject: "Chiang, China and the U. S." Truax 1.

3:30 p. m. Alumni Lecture. Professor Paul Parker. Subject: "Fine versus Applied Arts." Truax 1.

4:00 p. m. President's Reception for all Alumni. Staff, undergraduates, and guests in the Library.

5:00 p. m. Annual meeting of the Fraternities and the Squires Club.

6:00 p. m. Dinner of Reunion Classes.

6:30 p. m. Dinner in the Hall of Commons for all other guests.

9:00 p. m. Choir Concert in the Chapel. Director, John L. Baldwin, Jr.

Sunday, June 5

9:30 a. m. Annual meeting of Pentagon, at the home of Wallace B. Johnson.

11:00 a. m. The Baccalaureate Service in the Chapel. The Baccalaureate Sermon will be given by President Robert W. McEwen.

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2:15 p. m. The 145th Commencement. The Commencement Address will be given by Dr. John W. Nason, President of the Foreign Policy Association.

A "Reserve Shelf of Suggested Readings" for the Alumni Classes will be located in the Library Reading Room. The Library will be open Saturday from 8:30 a. m. to 8:30 p. m. and Sunday from 9:30 to 2:15 and after exercises until need is considered satisfied.

Tickets for the Alumni Luncheon will be available at the Registration Desk in the Gymnasium at $2.25 each. Members of the Graduation class are the guests of the College. All meals are available in the Hall of Commons, breakfast, Saturday and Sunday, 8 to 9, $.85; dinner, Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p. m., $1.35; Luncheon, Saturday, 12:30 p. m., $1.50; dinner, Sunday, 1:00 p. m., $1.50.

Trustees Adopt Report; Urge Delayed Rushing, 95-5 Ratio

The much-awaited decisions of the Board of Trustees on the future social structure of the College after expnsion were made public today. At their quarterly meeting, yesterday, the Board voted upon and adopted the recommendations of its standing Committee on Instruction, which had been studying the problems for some time.

These recommendations, embodied in an eight page report, included proposals for: (1) delayed rushing; (2) a 95-5 fraternity-non-fraternity ratio based upon free selection of members; (3) construction of a new freshmen dormitory to house 240 men; (4) construction of a new house "having adequate social facilities for up to 50 non-fraternity upperclassmen; (5) a reorganized Interfraternity Council which could assume some responsibility for fraternity actvities.

Critical of Status Quo

The report levelled several criticisms at existing conditions. It pointed out that under the present system there are 472 fraternity men and 103 non-fraternity men, the latter "lacking adequate social opportunities and facilities." At most the fraternities could absorb only about 35 more men leaving in a College of 750, at least 245 non-fraternity men. In rejecting this 80-20 ratio, the report declared that "In a College with the fraternity tradition as well established as at Hamilton and with so many men in fraternities, this constitutes a thoroughly unsatisfactory condition from several viewpoints . . ."

The text of the report of the Committee on Instruction of the Board of Trustees is contained on page 2.

The Trustees were also rather dissatisfied with the present methods of orienting freshmen to College life and the system of student government. The report called the program of orienting freshmen to scholastic and other activities "fragmentary and unbalanced, well performed in some instances, poorly in others." The Trustees felt that "despite earnest and commendable efforts, fraternity discipline and assumption of responsibility, and adequate orientation of freshmen in general, has not been achieved in recent years to the extent desirable and practicable . . ." The Interfraternity Council, the report noted, "appears to be mainly a listening post without power to act and with little assumption of responsibility."

Maximum of 40-50

To alleviate these problems, the Trustees decided "that pledging by fraternities be deferred until the last quarter of the academic year at a time to be determined by the College Administration." This, it was believed, would reduce both the non-fraternity group (to a maximum of 40 or 50 men) and the "percentage of men subject to unsatisfactory social conditions and apparent discrimination arising from non-fraternity status."

The report urged that the College take greater responsibility for the orientation and adjustment of freshmen. In order to facilitate such a program, and at the same time provide adequate living conditions, the Trustees suggested that the construction of a new dormitory to house the entire freshmen class of 225 and 15 upperclass proctors, be completed by September of 1958, and deferred rushing be instituted during the 1959-60 academic year. The new freshman dormitory would contain social facilities and, perhaps, dining accomodations, although this would have to be worked out in the construction plans at a later date.

The Trustees expressed definite concern for the social situa-

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Fulbright Awards To Magee, Schade For Study Abroad

Grants Provide Year In Europe

Two Hamilton students, Jim Magee and Stanley Schade, both seniors, have received Fulbright grants to study in Europe next year.

Magee, a Chi Psi, will go to the University of London to study political science at the London School of Asian-African Affairs. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, he was also President of Delta Sigma Rho, the honorary national debating society. In his sophomore year, Magee took second prize in the McKinney Prize Speaking contest, and this year placed first in the McKinney Prize Debate. This afternoon he will participate in the Clark Prize Oratory contest. In addition to the Fulbright grant, Magee has received a scholarship from the Danforth Foundation, a fund providing $1,800 a year for graduate fellowships, which he hopes to use on his return from England.

A pre-med student, Schade had already been accepted at Yale Medical School when he received his Fulbright award for the study of German literature in Germany. Although he has not yet been definitely notified as to exactly which university he will stay at, he believes that it will be the University of Tubingen in South Germany. Schade is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Pi Delta Epsilon, the honorary journalistic fraternity. He is a McKinney Prize speaker and has received the Fayerweather Scholarship and the Frank H. Ristine Scholarship in English literature. Active in campus affairs, Schade served on the *Spectator* as news editor and assistant editor, was elected to the Student Council in his junior and senior years, and this year organized the Chapel Board seminars.

The Choir will give a concert tonight at 9:00 p. m. Alumni with choir experience are welcome to join the Choir for this concert. Director John L. Baldwin Jr. asks that they attend rehearsal on Saturday morning at 10:30 in Silliman Hall.

Gregory Accepts Phone Co. Job

Tom Gregory, who has served for three years as Assistant Secretary of Admissions, will leave Hamilton this June to take a position with the Bell Telephone Company in Utica. He plans to work in the Commercial Division of the Company, training to become an office manager.

Gregory expressed his thanks to the student body and alumni for the "excellent cooperation and assistance they extended to me while I was here." Of particular help to him, said Gregory, was the Students Admissions Committee headed by Al Shaler, '57, and Robert Ward, '55.

A graduate of Hamilton in 1950, Gregory is a member of the Emerson Literary Society.

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It's Up to Us Now . . .

The decision by the Board of Trustees on the social structure of Hamilton after expansion is one which will probably satisfy few people completely, but one which is the most logical arrangement that can be made at the present time.

Time To Act

The fact that the decision has been made does not mean that the fraternities can sit back and watch the social system operate smoothly and efficiently under the new order. On the contrary, the fraternities are going to have to shoulder more responsibility than they ever have. In addition, the fraternities will have to begin to shoulder this responsibility as soon as possible since many areas of decision have been left up to the student body by the Trustees. Besides the problems of administration inherent in deferred rushing, the student body is left to decide for themselves whether 100% opportunity is best for Hamilon or whether the fraternities should continue to have the right of free selection of members. The Trustees have recognized that the College should not dictate 100% compulsory bidding by administrttive fiat, but they have also recognized the need for a student government body which can adequately and intelligently legislate the decisions which are going to have to be made by the student body in the next few years.

Unite Councils

If the Student Council and the I.F.C. see fit to examine the possibility of forming a single Undergraduate Council, the College community will have taken an important step in solving the problems brought about by expansion because they will have created the means for solving them. At Williams and Amherst where deferred rushing and preferential bidding have been instituted, the student government bodies have been faced with the problem of continually revising and re-revising extremely complicated rushing rules. Certainly if Hamilton were to continue to operate under the present student government arrangement, legislation of rushing and preferential bidding rules would be even more complicated.

Similar To Spectator Plan

The Trustees have adopted a report very similar to the plan proposed by *The Spestator,* leaving 40 to 50 men out of fraternities. The report calls for building better facilities for these 40 to 50 men. This building will not have to be built, however, if the fraternities take it upon themselves to consider every man who is admitted to Hamilton as a fraternity man. In so doing they would be recognizing their responsibility as an integral part of the College and assuming the same social standards as the College. In other words, no right of the fraternity to choose its own members would be abrogated because every man would be chosen as a fraternity man. At the present time most of the fraternities would probably shudder at the possibility of having a freshman forced on them by a system of preferential bidding. This is the attitude that is going to thwart a movement toward 100% opportunity if such a mevement were started. *The Spectator* is guilty of this attitude, too, but mainly because of its fears of the consequences of thrusting someone on a group which is not congenial to the student's best interests and which chooses a social standard unlike that of the College.

Problem To Reevaluate

The problem now, it seems, is for the fraternities to reevaluate their social responsibility to the College and to investigate the attitude that some students under no circumstances should become members of a fraternity. Only when the fraternities begin to fulfill their social responsibility can 100% opportunity be achieved. If their attitudes change, then we can work toward devising a workable system of 100% fraternity membership.

The initial decision has been made, and it is now up to the student body and the fraternity system to assume the responsibilities presented to them by the Trustees and to act with the same thoughtfulness and concern.

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Continental Has Art and Antics Reviewer States

Seidner, Hunt Rate Bows

The Spring issue of the *Continental,* published just before final exams, contained an interesting and, in general, enjoyable selection of fiction, essay, and poetry. Particularly noticeable is the striking and imaginative cover, designed by O.G. Hunt, which heightens the appearance of the magazine considerably.

Frank Seidner, a frequent contributor to the *Continental* in the past, has two stories in the latest issue. The first, *The Life Was the Light,* while adequate, is nothing exceptional. Some of the writing is awkward and the ending seemed unsatisfactory to this reviewer.

The Plot, in strong contrast both in tone and quality to Seidner's first story, proved exceptionally enjoyable reading. With delightful humor, Seidner spoofs various aspects of college life, building Frederick Hobbinghouse, an incurable grind and extreme introvert, into as easily recognizable character. It is with eager expectation that we await the next Hobbinghouse story, entitled perhaps *Hobbinhouse Returns.*

Richard Arnold's *Down the Alimentary Canal With Gun and Camera* exhibits neither good satire nor good taste. Although one finds a rather gross preoccupation with the bodily functions in *Gulliver's Travels* (it is said that Swift did his best work on the stool) it is not necessary to satirize Swift by outdoing him in coarseness.

A Tide by Alfred Prettyman contained some extremely beautiful and lyric descriptive passages. But, on the other hand, there were also many rough spots in which this poetical style seemed exaggerated and false. We assume that *A Tide* was an allegory of some sort, that is, contained some meaning and reason. Yet the plot was disorganized and lacking in unity and the story itself so veiled in obscurity that whatever meaning there might have been was lost to this reviewer. And so, in a protest against obscurity, we ask Mr. Prettyman, in future works, to do more than string pretty sentences together into a story.

Far and away the best thing in this issue of the *Continental* are the two essays. Schade's discussion of the exultation both Bohr and Wordsworth feel in investigating the mysteries of the universe in different, yet similar ways, is well-written and well thought-out. A generally fine job.

Sade's essay comparing Hopkins and Stevens is also quite good, expressing some interesting ideas. However, Sade uses a terse, exceptionally concise style and one might ask for a fuller and more detailed developement of some of these ideas, especially in relation to the quotations used.

Turning to the poetry, Sundell's *An Almost Poem* is just that — almost a poem. The last stanza, (screams, schemes, steams, beams) particularly, gives the impression that the author was not nearly so interested in ideas or imagery as in finding a line to fit a particular end-rhyme.

Dusk by W.T. Fairbairn can be praised for both its refreshing simplicity and clear, if not entirely imaginative, imagery.

Unfortunately these virtues are lacking in Philip Rogers' *A Summer Night* which, like the Spinx (in this one respect only), was completely incomprehensible.

All in all the Spring issue of the *Continental,* although down a peg in quality from the previous issue, is nevertheless a creditable job.

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Body of Trustees' Report on Expansion

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION, HAMILTON COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ON PROBLEMS FOLLOWING FROM INCREASE IN SIZE OF COLLEGE

I. The Problems.

In June, 1953, the Hamilton College Board of Trustees adopted a resolution authorizing increase in the size of the College student body to 750. The Board directed that this increase of 175 over the present size of the College student body was to be achieved as rapidly as maintenance of present admission standards permits and as expansion of physical facilities of the College makes available adequate dormitory and dining accomodations for the increased number. Other facilities of the College are adequate for the increased number.

Present College and fraternity student housing accomodates 570 men with crowding. Of this number, the College is depnendent on the fraternities to house 229 men. Occupancy under optimum conditions (as, for example, two men per dormitory two-room suite and fraternity houses on a pre-war basis) would be nearer 450. Additional housing for about 275 students is needed.

Any construction program for new housing facilities should take into account several phases of the social structure of the undergraduate body. At present there are 472 fraternity men and 103 non-fraternity men. At most, the fraternities would absorb only about 35 more men, leaving in a College of 750 at least 245 non fraternity men. The number of men presently lacking adequate social opportunities and facilities (19%) would be increased to 32% and perhaps 37 %. In a College with the fraternity tradition as well-established as at Hamilton and with so many men in fraternities, this constitutes a thoroughly unsatisfactory condition from several viewpoints including student and alumni morale.

Further, for the last several decades there have been increases in the size of the College and correspondingly in the size of fraternities, while at the same time, there has been little change in the pattern of undergraduate discipline and orientation of freshmen. Consequently, despite earnest and often commendable efforts, fraternity discipline and assumption of responsibility, and adequate orientaion of freshmen in general, has not been achieved in recent years to the extent desirable and practicable while still avoiding regimentation by College uthorities. A further increse in the size of the College will accentuate these problems. Improved methods of helping a freshman adjust to College life, in both academic and non-academic aspects, are desirable.

With problems such as these in mind, the Committee on Instruction of the Board of Trustees was asked a year ago to make recommendations to the Board with respect to both the character of additional College housing and dining facilities needed and related matters.

III. The Committee Recommendations.

The Committee's recommendations are:

1. That pledging by fraternities be deferred until the last quarter of the academic year at a time to be determined by the College administration.. One of the several advantages (assuming the continued existence of all the present fraternities) would be reduction of the non-fraternity group (excluding the freshman class) to a maximum of 40 or 50 or about 5% or 6% of the College undergraduate body, instead of an increase of the group to around 245 men.

2. That a new dormitory be constructed for 240 men including the entire freshman class of about 225 and selected junior supervisors in the approximate ratio of 1 to 20, with facilities to serve as a social center for the freshmen.

3. That a new house be constructed having adequate social facilities for about 25 of them. It should be so constructed that the social facilities are readily susceptible to future expansion.

4. That fraternities be left unrestricted as to selection and number of pledges, but students free to evolve, if they choose, with College Administration guidance but not compulsion, a system looking toward 100% pledging of those who would choose to join a fraternity if the opportunity were afforded them.

5. That maximum quotas as to number of men living in fraternity houses be agreed on by fraternities and the College Administration with view to preventing overcrowded conditions in fraternity houses, meeting sanitary and safety requirments applicable to such houses, and protecting the College, as well as the fraternities, from loss on their investments in dormitory and housing facilities through inadequate occupancy.

6. That to avoid the exercise by the Board of Trustees of their inherent legal powers of discipline, a reorganized undergraduate interfraternity Council be established, empowered, through delegates elected by the undergraduate fraternity groups, to take responsibility for certain fraternity activities and to adopt and modify by majority vote necessary rules and to administer such rules.

7. That provisions be made by the College Administration for assisting non-fraternity men, including freshmen, in achieving an adequate social life in the College, and assumption by the College Administration of greater responsibility for orientation of freshmen.

The recommendations permit a large degree of flexibility in reaching the ends sought. This flexibility is desirable in order that the physical plant be adapted to such further changes as may be later found desirable and in order that undergraduate relationships may evolve through democratic processes and assumption by students of the maximum practicable responsibility for their College life outside the classroom.

III. Scope of Committee Inquiries.

The Committee on Instruction conducted extensive inquiries, hearings, and conferences, and received numerous reports, as aids in reaching its recommendations. Among these were:

(a) Reports by the President, the Dean, a special committee of the Faculty, Fraternity Undergraduate Committee (majority and minority reports, Committee of Independent Undergraduates, Squires Club Undergraduate Committee, Governor of Pentagon, President of Student Council, Alumni Fraternity Committee, Independent Alumni Committee, Majority Report of Pentagon 1955, Study by Secretary of Admissions of Fraternity Systems at Amherst, Colgate, Trinity, Wesleyan, Williams, Bowdoin, and Princeton;

(b) Reports by individual trustees on fraternity situations at Amherst, Bowdoin, Brown, Colgate, Princeon, Wesleyan, and Williams;

(c) Hearings and conferences attended by the Dean, Secretary of Admissions, Faculty Committee, Pentagon, President of Student Council, and representatives of various undergraduate committees;

(d) Legal memorandum prepared by the late Thomas Brown Rudd; and recently considered similar problems. The advice of the Alumni Council was also sought and, through that body, the views of alumni generally.

IV. Explanatory Comments.

Deferred Pledging— Deferred pledging will greatly reduce the percentage of men subject to unsatisfactory social conditions and apparent discrimination arising from non-fraternity status. Deferred pledging also has possible scholastic advantages, will create a better integrated freshman class, and will afford freshmen and fraternities adequate time to acquaint themselves with each other. Other advantages are implicit in the comments below.

Freshman Dormitory — Under deferred pledging the College Administration has an obligation to provide for all freshmen a program of social and other class activities and a program of orientation, not merely for a few, unpledged freshmen as in the past. Upperclassmen supervision through juniors chosen for the purpose would aid in such programs. A freshman dormitory should be constructed with these objectives and necessary facilities in mind. Whether freshmen would have dining space in the dormitory or use the present Commons may be left for determination on the basis of architectural plans and economic considerations. Cost of constructing such a dormitory should be substantially self-liquidating through room rents. A dormitory adapted to grouping freshmen by units of 40 or so men would be preferable.

House for Non-fraternity Upperclassmen — The Committee has given a great deal of thought to the situation of the non-fraternity student and believes that continuing efforts should be made by the College to improve his situation. Under any system of pledging that avoids compulsion and retains the right of self-selection by fraternities, there will be some upperclassmen not members of fraternities. Also a few will prefer to be unaffiliated. The College has an obligation to afford social facilities for these men comparable to those of fraternity men. This can best be done by providing a separate house available to all such men. However, it is recommended that whether any such man rooms in the house, rather than some other College dormitory, should in general be a matter of his choice. Separate dining facilities should be provided although not necessarily in the new house. Cost of construction of such a house should be at least partially self-liquidating through room rents. The total number of such men would be less than 50 (probably less than 40), but social facilities subject to expansion for a larger number would care for any increase should any one of the present fraternities cease to exist. The Committee is of the view that it is not necessary to the social interests of the College to assure by financial steps the continued existence of any fraternity. The fraternities should stand on their own feet financially.

Right of Selection — No college among those considered by the Committee has imposed a compulsory system of pledging 100% of all men who would choose to join some fraternity if the opportunity were offered. Such persuasive or voluntary systems to this end as presently exist in some of such colleges are found to have various disadvantages in operation. However, the possibility of successful experimentation should not be precluded, and consequently the student body should be free to adopt through the Undergraduate Interfraternity Council and try any system to this end that it believes workable and worthy of trial, subject to approval by College authorities where, by reason of the particular character of any system evolved, such approval is necessary.

Maximum Fraternity Housing Quotas— Many fraternities, mainly for economic reasons, have overcrowded dormitory and study facilities and face consequent sanitary and safety problems sometimes with legal implications. Maximum quotas for the number of men rooming in a fraternity house should be agreed on by each fraternity with the College Administration, taking into account all factors including the College's, as well as the fraternities', necessary financial interest in full occupancy of dormitories and housing facilities.

Undergraduate Interfraternity Council — The present Undergraduate Interfraternity Council appears to be mainly a listening post without power to act and with little assumption of responsibility. It should be reorganized with full power to act on a democratic basis. Adequate opportunity to remedy improper practices and set standards of conduct through self-government should be afforded the student body, rather than imposing such standards by the exercise by the Board of Trustees, through the College Administration, of its inherent disciplinary powers provided by the Charter.

Orientation of Freshmen — The present program of orienting freshmen to scholastic and other activities is fragmentary and unbalanced, well performed in some instances, poorly in others. A freshman dormitory, junior supervision and deferred pledging would afford the College Administration an opportunity to render greater assistance and achieve more satisfactory results in this field. It is in the interest of all freshmen that they live and eat together in order to facilitate such a revised program of orientation and a freshman dormitory will make this possible.

Transition — The College Administration is of the view (with which the Committee concurs) that beginning in the fall of 1958 a freshman class of 225 men could be attained without lowering admission standards. Correspondingly, the new freshman dormitory should be completed by September, 1958 and the upperclassman house by September, 1960. It would be practicable to institute deferred rushing in the academic year, 1959-60, the second of increased freshman classes. The transition period will necessarily produce minor temporary dislocations in the operations of the College and the fraternities.

New Fraternities — The Committee's recommendations do not conflict with the policy adopted by the Board of Trustees in 1948 of working "toward the ideal of encouraging sufficient social groups among the student body so that every student may have an opportunity to join such a group if he so desires and enjoy facilities for College life on an equal basis with his fellow students." However, that policy was never implemented and economic conditions make unlikely the establishment of new fraternities with suitable physical facilities. The Committee does not favor the establishment of new fraternities in actuality for any particular religious or racial group.

The Committee urges that the Board of Trustees adopt and promptly carry into effect the recommendations made in this report.

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SPORTSFOLIO

By Pete Dayton

Despite the fine records turned in by the tennis, golf, basketball, and football teams, Hamilton College sports ended the 1954-55 season with a disappointing record of 42 wins, 58 losses, and 1 tie.

The Continental football team started out with style as they mowed down their first two opponents, RPI and Wagner, 32-14 and 26-6. Then, slowed down by the loss of fullback Carl Hansen, the Blue lost to their perennial jinx Swarthmore. Two more victories over Haverford and Kenyon brought the season's record to 4-1, then against Hobart the roof fell in, the statesmen winning 42-7. Several injuries incurred early in the game against Hobart left the Continentals weak for Union. The Garnet ran over Hamilton, 39-14.

Basketball started out as a dismal season. After overrunning Queens, the Blue lost to Hobart and Williams. Out of the next five games the Blue dropped four, winning only from Harpur. Second semester, however, Hamilton went on a six game winning streak, beating Hobart, Union twice, Stevens, Ithaca, and finally Rochester 69-56, to achieve their first winning season since 1933. In the final game against Utica, the Blue lost 76-71.

The only team to turn in an undefeated record was coach Mox Weber's tennis team. The perfect season was the second in the past three years. The best that any opponent could do against the Continentals was to win two matches. Two opponents managed to pick up two matches, as both Cortland and Union lost 7-2. There were four shutouts in the ten matches, as the Blue whipped Union, Utica College twice, and Hobart. The remaining four matches were won 8-1 over Hobart, Rochester twice, and Hartwick. The squad this year was composed of two frosh, two sophomores, three juniors, and only one senior. The only man that will not return is Max Gray. Three men were undefeated in singles play, two freshmen Tim Smelzer and Craig Henzel, and sophomore John Roberts. Captain Dick Miller and Chris Ravandal dropped one match apiece.

Dan Koehler and Jim Schade paced the golfers to another winning season. Compiling a 6-4 record, the Blue lost to Hobart, Harpur, Oswego and Rochester. The high point of the season was a 5-4 upset victory over Rochester on home links. It was the first loss that the Rivermen had suffered in 15 straight matches. Jim Schade had the best match record with a 7-3 total, while Captain Koehler was second with a record of 5-4-1.

Gene Long's track team had a winning season, with a dual meet record of 3-1, and a fourth place in the state conference meet. The only loss came at the hands of Cortland State, the eventual winner of the state meet, 81-44. The three wins were by impressive scores as Hamilton beat Union 81-40, Ithaca 101-29, and Oswego 105-31. Individual stars were Paul McGiffin, Earl Cline, Pete Eld and Joe Nuccio.

The baseball squad seemed to be playing two separate teams this year, one on the road, and the other at home. At home the record was 5-1, with the only loss to Ithaca, a contender for the district 2 NCAA World Series Championship. On the road the Blue dropped three games to teams that they had beaten soundly at home. The fourth game was dropped to RPI. Individual stars include Ron Hovey who compiled a record of 4-3 on the mound and led the team at the plate with a .333 average. A latecomer, Jim Thompson banged out six hits in thirteen at bats to bat .461 and also drove in five runs.

The fall edition of the track team, the cross country team, compiled a record of two wins and three losses. However, Al Shaler broke the home course record three times, and set two new marks at Hartwick, one at the State Conference Meet -- --

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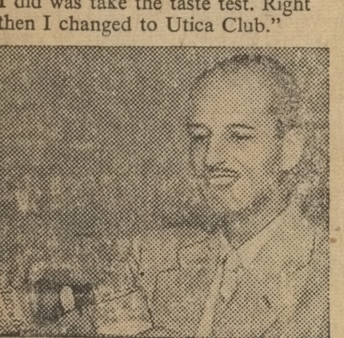

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Recipients of Alumni Scholarships in the class of 1959, entering Hamilton next September, have been announced.

Peter C. Appleby, Lake Villa, Illinois, from the Lake Forest Academy, has been awarded the scholarship presented to the son of a school teacher from Illinois. His father, Mr. Clarence Appleby, is director of the Allendale School, Lake Villa, Illinois.

Brian T. Davis from Summit, N. J. has been awarded the New Jersey State School Teacher's Scholarship after attending Madison High School for three years. Davis studied at the Pingry School, Elizabeth, N. J. in his senior year.
Elizabeth, N.J., his senior year. During his secondary schooling he participated in the school band, science club, and Youth Fellowship.

From the Utica area Gerald V. Dirvin, Oneonta, N.Y., has been awarded an Alumni Scholarship. In high school he has been vice-president of the student council, a member of the basketball and tennis teams, and captain of the football team.

Frederick D. Goodrich, Odessa, N.Y., has been awarded the New York State School Teacher's Scholarship. He has been class president, student council vice president, and participant on both the basketball and track teams at the Odessa Central School where his father is a teacher.

E. Scott Finegan, Garden City, N.Y., has been awarded the Alumni Scholarship from the New York Metropolitan Area. The great-gandson of John F. Silvernail, class of 1875, Finegan has participated in the student council, football, basketball, and baseball. He was also the recipient of the American Field Service Scholarship to Finland for the Summer of 1954.

Robert D. Patton, Jamesville, N. Y., is co-winner of the Syracuse Area Alumni Scholarship. At the Jamesville-DeWitt Central School he was president of the student council and also active in football, basketball and track.

Timothy W. Scholl, Watertown, N. Y., also co-winner of the Syracuse-Watertown Alumni Scholarship, attended Watertown High School. He was student council vice president, a member of the choir, band, orchestra, and tennis team.

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Net Team Goes Undefeated; Golfers Gain 6 Wins Out Of 10

The Continental golfers ended the 1955 season with their second upset victory of the campaign, as they defeated the Engineers from RPI, 6½-2½. The victory gave the Blue a 6-4 record for the year. The first upset of the year was a 5-4 victory over the U. of Rochester on the Hill links.

A climax to the whole match was the hole-in-one recorded by Jim Schade. The ace came on the 138 yard seventh hole. Schade went on to win his match over Ralph Hasenbalg, 3 and 2. With this win Schade stretched his record for the year to 7-3.

Captain Dan Koehler playing in the first slot, recorded his fifth victory of the year as he defeated Al Zambelli, 3 and 2. Jack Taylor moved up to take the place of injured Ron Woodward, and scored an easy 6 and 4 victory over his opponent.

Bill MacFarland playing in Taylor's place won the other match for the Continentals. Jerry Walsh and Dick Plotka were the losers for the Blue. Hamilton lost only ½ point on the best ball series as MacFarland and Plotka split theirs.

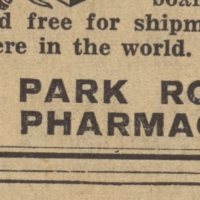
Five Men Return As Chieftains In Spring Sports

There will be only one new captain for next spring's sports schedule. Don Ivers, junior midfielder, is the only newcomer to the ranks of captains for the Spring of 1956. Ivers will be co-captain of lacrosse along with Wayne Mahood, who was co-captain with Ed Reed this year.

The four other capttins that will be repeating next year are Earl Cline in track, John Glezen in baseball, Dan Koehler in golf and Dick Miller in tennis. All six of the captains are seniors.

In addition to being captain of the track team for next year, Earl Cline will also share captain duties with Bill Fivaz next fall on the gridiron.

Al Prettyman, '56, was elected president of the Hamilton Chapter of Delta Sigma Rho, national honorary forensic society, at a recent meeting. Bob Connor, '56, is the new vice president, and Gene Granof, '56, the new secretary-treasurer.



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Pete Eld shown breaking the record for the 220 yard low hurdles with a time of 25.2 seconds in the Oswego meet.

Hamilton Fourth in State Track Meet McGiffin Wins Javelin for 2nd Year

The Continental track team ended their 1955 season by scoring fourth place in the State Conference Meet at Troy. Despite the loss of Earl Cline who had been hurt a large part of this season with a pulled muscle, the Blue placed in eleven events.

The winner of the meet was Cortland State with 63½ points, the U. of Rochester second with 50½, and RPI third with 43 points. Hamilton compiled 32½ points. Six other schools trailed Hamilton.

The Continentals had only one first place. For the second straight year, sophomore Paul McGiffin won the javelin. In addition to his javelin toss, McGiffin also took third place in the discus. There were two other men who placed in two events. Sophomore Peter Eld took two third places in the 120 high hurdles and the 220 low hurdles. In the 100 and 220 yard dash, Steve Harwood took 5th and 3rd places.

Both the freshmen and the the meet, with the frosh taking a varsity relay teams took places in fourth place and the varsity coming in third. The other events that the Blue scored in were the two mile run, the high jump and his best race of the year in the the broad jump. Al Shaler ran two mile to take a third place. The winning time was 9:44, and Shaler was in just under the ten minute mark. Joe Nuccio, who just a week before had broken the Hamilton high jump mtrk with a leap of 6'¼", took a third in the conference meet. The final points were gathered by Jimmy White, who took a tie for fourth place in the broad jump.

Sundell Winner In Library Contest

Michael Sundell, '56, and Harry Presberg, '56, were winners of the first and second prizes in the Student-Library Contest

The competition, sponsored annually by the Library and the Peter Pauper Press, is designed to encourage reading and book collecting as a "carry-over sport," according to Hill Librarian Walter Pilkington. The prizes of ten and five volumes respectively, are drawn from the Peter Pauper Collector's Editions.

Pilkington describes these books as, "a series of handsomely illustrated and bound volumes, each with a slipcase, and all fine examples of the art of book making."

Five Seniors . . .

Prize contest, the Library has arranged a display in the second floor lobby. This display includes the manuscripts of various orations presented over the years. One of the orations delivered in 1854 is on display. The speeches of Elihu Root, Philip Jessup, Irving Ives, Willard Marsh, and other prominent Hamilton alumni can also be seen.

Commenting on the Clark Prize contest, jokingly referred to as "K.P." by the participants, Professor Marsh said, "this is a fine tradition for Hamilton College and one which I hope will never be abandoned or forgotten."

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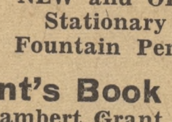

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By Gerry Wullschleger

The 1955 Hill tennis squad completed its second undefeated season in three years, finishing with a 10-0 record. The netmen have lost only two matches in the past five years.

Prospects were bright in the beginning of the year, since coach Mox Weber had lost only two of his starters, Dan Goodstein and Stew Pollock, from last year's squad. Returnees Captain Dick Miller, Harry Presberg, Chris Ravndal, Max Gray, Pete Cox, and John Roberts, and newcomers Craig Henzel and Tim Smelzer made up the 1955 edition.

9-0 Over Utica

The season opened on April 20 with an easy 9-0 victory over Utica College. The next match followed three days later against Hartwick. The Blue again met with little opposition as only Harry Presberg lost in an 8-1 triumph.

On April 27, the Dutchmen of Union furnished strong opposition that was not indicated by the 7-2 score. As an example of the tightness, in the first doubles Presburg and Miller extended to a 3-6, 14-12, 6-2 win. Following the Union match, the Continentals completed their second whitewashing of Utica.

Hobart and Rochester

In another match that was closer than the score showed, Hamilton defeated Rochester, 8-1. The Continentals ran their undefeated skein to six by garnering a 8-0 shut out over Hobart on Houseparty weekend. Due to high winds and rain, the match was uncompleted.

The Continentals got over the big hurdle in their march to an undefeated year when they beat Cortland State Teachers, 7-2, on May 11. This win also gained of 1954, which marred an otherrevenge for the Cortland triumph wise perfect slate.

Wins numbers eight and nine came at the expense of Hobart and Rochester again. The Statesmen and Rivermen both fell by 8-1 counts.

The season's finale pitted the Blue against Union in a return match on May 21. Contrary to expectations of another tough match, Hamilton swept to an easy 9-0 triumph.

Three Undefeated

Three Hamilton men, Roberts, Henzel, and Smelzer, were undefeated in singles competition. Miller and Ravndal had 8-1 records, while Presberg stood at 5-4. In doubles play, the Blue suffered only two setbacks, both to the first team of Presberg and Miller. The freshman duo of Henzel and Smelzer compiled a record of 8-0, while Cox and Gray finished at 9-0.

The prospects for 1956 seem equtlly bright as only Max Gray will be lost by graduation.

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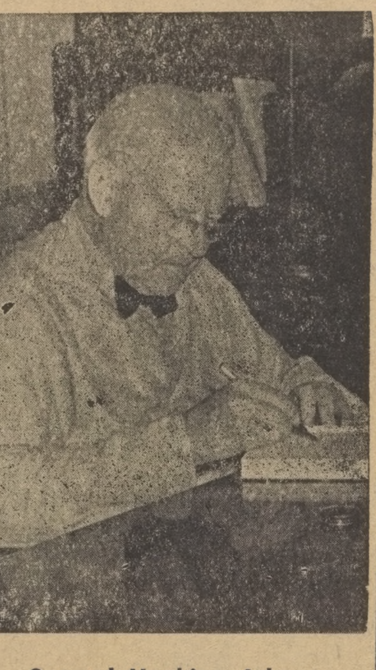

Samuel Hopkins Adams

The book is a collection of short stories mainly concerned with Hopkins grandfather, Myron Adams, 1821. Although none of the stories are specifically about the College, it appears numerous times as Adams says his grandfather was, "exceedingly proud of having attended Hamilton."

Much of the book's contents have already appeared in the *New Yorker* and *Woman's Day*. The Book-of-the-Month Club has chosen *Grandfather Stories* as their mid-summer selection. It will be published July 15 by Random House. The manuscripts and various proof stages have been given to the Library and are now on exhibit.

Librarian Pilkington is puzzled about one story in Adams' new book. It is titled *The Saga of Four-Skate Pilkington* and tells of the escape over the ice of a thief named Pilkington. Hamilton's Librarian is sure that he is no relation to this character.

Adams comes from a long line of Hamilton men which includes not only his grandfather but his father and five uncles. Although a member of both Alpha Delta Phi and Phi Beta Kappa, he considers as his major achievement at Hamilton, his institution of football on the Hill. The team he started claimed victories in 1890 over Syracuse, Rochester and Colgate.

Upon his graduation he began writing for the *New York Sun* and then for *McClure's Magazine*. *The Great American Fraud*, one of his first books published in 1906, earned him national recognition. It has been said that, "Adams undoubtedly deserves major credit for the Pure Food and Drug Act." The book was supported by chemical analysis done in part by Hamilton professor A. P. Saunders.

Now 84, Adams has authored numerous books and articles. His novels include *Canal Town, Banner by the Wayside* and *Sunrise to Sunset*. He also wrote the movie *It Happened One Night*.

Still actively interested in his college, Adams has lectured composition classes on the Hill. At one of these lectures he said, "Forget about spelling and punctuation: proofreaders can do that." The exhibit now in the Library of the various stages in his writing of this book, shows the amount of correction the author himself had to do to finally achieve this chronicle.

Sportsfolio . . .

Four sports at Hamilton turned in rather dismal records. Hockey never got rolling until the last game of the season when they defeated Middlebury, 3-1. The final record was 3-11-1. Soccer turned in a record of 1-7 with only a 2-1 win over Hobar. Swimming and Lacrosse turned in winless records as the former turned in a 0-7 record, and the latter went 0-10. The swimming team had one bright light in Bill Tufts. Tufts set two records and averaged ten points a meet.

The man that Sportsfolio would pick as the athlete of the year is Ed Reed. Reed was captain of two sports, lacrosse and football, and a mainstay on both teams for the past four years. The record books will bear little witness to his fine play, but many will remember his fine play on the athletic field.

Other outstanding athletes of the year are Bill Fivaz in football and basketball, John Ibach in track and football, and Frank O'Brien in football and basketball.

Trustees Adopt . . .

tion of the non-fraternity man, and asserted that "continuing efforts should be made by the College to improve his situation." In line with this policy, the report recommended the construction of a new house, which would provide social facilities equal to those completed by 1960.

The Committee made it clear that its report proposed only a general and flexible plan, one which could be modified later on. But it also stated that much of the impetus for modification would have to come from the students. The report indicates a widespread feeling among the Trustees that the students should shoulder far more responsibility for administering the fraternity system, and it is to achieve this end that recommendations for a new and reorganized IFC were included.

The Trustees avoided, as much as was possible, in their decisions, imposing any particular type of pledging system. One of the reasons given for their rejection of 100% compulsory pledging was that, at no College among those studied by the Committee, had such a system been dictated by administrative fiat. Nevertheless, the report did not preclude successful experimentation with a 100% system, provided the demand for it came from the students.

Although the report was strongly against the establishment of "new fraternities in actuality for any particular religious or racial group" it did not entirely bar the formation of any new fraternities. However, the report added, significantly, that "economic conditions make unlikely the establishment of new fraternities with suitable physical facilities."

Alumni Attempt . . .

This afternoon at 2:30 Professor Channing Richardson of the Political Science department will discuss "Chiang, China, and the U. S." The lecture will deal with various phases of the China question including background to the current situation, and the situation near the isles of Quemoy and Matsu.

The final lecture is Professor Paul Parker's "Fine vs. Applied Arts." In this lecture Parker will deal with the relation between two mediums for the artist's expression—fine and applied arts.

Three Surveys . . .

ratio of fraternity members to non-fraternity members will have to be 90% of the student body."

Two weeks later representatives of the Hamilton student body, the alumni, and the faculty met to discuss problems presented by the decision, and begin work on modifying Hamilton's social structure.

As a result of this meeting five committees were organized which later presented recommendations to the Committee on Instruction of the Board of Trustees. An undergraduate fraternity committee presented a majority report recommending an 80-20 fraternity ratio, immediate rushing, and the construction of a dormitory and several new fraternity houses. One minority report from this committee recommended that an opportunity be provided for all those who wish to join a fraternity to do so. This report was published last month by this paper.

An undergraduate non-fraternity committee presented a report which included recommendations adopted by the Squires Club. This report suggested that the college should "provide means to insure that the great majority, if not all, of those students who desire to join a fraternity be able to do so".

The third and fourth committees were the Fraternity Graduate Committee and the non-fraternity Graduate Committee.

The fifth report was a comprehensive survey of Hamilton life prepared by a committee of the faculty. This report has not been released.

Approximately a year ago these reports were received by the Committee on Instruction with Frederick Lee, '15, as chairman. This committee studied these reports and other information from the reports of individual trustees on trips to other colleges, from Pentagon, legal memoranda from the late Thomas B. Rudd, and informal suggestions from other members of the College community.

Academic's Attire Like Proud Birds, But Not At All For Same Reasons

By Michael Sundell

Sunday, at Commencement, the semi-annual faculty fashion show will take place. Gowned in dignity and capped by tradition, the members of the faculty will display the regalia that has marked academic meetings for over seven centuries.

Most of the faculty members will wear the standard academic robes and the "mortar board" cap used by most American colleges and universities. These vary slightly in design according to the highest degree which the wearer has earned, and are trimmed with the colors of whatever institution he attended.

Highlighting the procession will be those professors sporting the plumage of European universities. Most impressive, judging by the standards of tradition, are Professor Moraud's doctorate robes. The high cap, similar to those worn by French judges, and the cape, trimmed with three ermine stripes and the red and blue of the University of Paris, have been worn by scholars from this University, with little redesign, since 1300.

Equally traditional, but quieter, is the black hood trimmed with white fur of Professor Rudd, the only Oxonian on the Hamilton faculty. Like Dr. Moraud's costume, Mr. Rudd's dates from the middle ages.

Newer, but no more restrained for that, are the University of London robes of Professor Wertimer. His scarlet hood is that of the University; the crimson lining which trims it indicates that he is a graduate of the faculty of economics.

Although academic costume now serves only an ornamental purpose, it was not originated to provide schoolmasters with an occasional opportunity to display themselves at their finest. The halls of the medieval universities were cold and damp, and the cap and hood, at that time a decorated cape, were worn more for warmth than distinction.

The first academic costumes were similar to contemporary wear of guilds and clerical orders. Gradually, with the development of central heating, these were modified into the present costumes.

In the United States there was a widespread student movement around 1885 to wear the traditional costumes at Commencement services. An Intercollegiate Commission was established to assign patterns for the robes to correspond to various degrees. Each college chose its own colors for the robes' trimming.

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